COMMISSION CONFERENCE SEPTEMBER 21, 2004

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COMMISSION CONFERENCE 1:31 P.M. SEPTEMBER 21, 2004

Present: Mayor Naugle

Commissioners Hutchinson, Teel, Moore and Vice Mayor Trantalis

Also Present: City Manager – George Gretsas

City Attorney - Harry A. Stewart City Clerk - Jonda K. Joseph Sergeant At Arms - Sergeant Martin

<u>I-A -Voting and Alternate Voting Delegates, National League of Cities Annual Congress of Cities - November 30 - December 4, 2004</u>

Mayor Naugle announced that he would attend this year. Commissioner Moore offered to serve as the alternate.

Action: Mayor Naugle as Voting Delegate and Commissioner Moore as Alternate.

I-B -Davie Boulevard Corridor Master Plan - Candidates for Steering Committee

Commissioner Hutchinson stated that there are 14 neighborhoods involved and she believed each one should be represented on the committee.

Mayor Naugle stated that would be a good idea. Each neighborhood should provide the name of their representative.

Commissioner Hutchinson suggested that the names be submitted at the Commission's next meeting.

Action: Consensus for each neighborhood association to offer a representative recommendation for Commission consideration on October 5, 2004.

III-B - Advisory Board and Committee Vacancies

Budget Advisory Board

Vice Mayor Trantalis stated that he wanted to reappoint Shane Gunderson and Michael McFarland to the Budget Advisory Board.

Commissioner Teel stated that she wanted to reappoint Garry Johnson to the Budget Advisory Board.

Commissioner Moore stated that he wanted to reappoint Delores McKinley and Mark Dozier to the Budget Advisory Board.

Commissioner Hutchinson stated that she wanted to reappoint Elizabeth Hernandez and William Nielsen to the Budget Advisory Board.

Mayor Naugle stated that he wanted to reappoint Don Winsett and Curtis Barry to the Budget Advisory Board.

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Action: Formal action to be taken at the Regular Meeting.

Charter Review Board

Commissioner Teel stated that she wanted to appoint Susan Trainer to the Charter Review Board.

Action: Formal action to be taken at the Regular Meeting.

Community Appearance Board

Action: Deferred.

Community Services Board

Vice Mayor Trantalis stated that he wanted to reappoint Michael Kimmey to the Community Services Board.

Commissioner Moore stated that he wanted to reappoint Jenny Brooks and Gregory Smith to the Community Services Board.

Mayor Naugle stated that he wanted to reappoint Robert Pascal and John Hurley to the Community Services Board.

Action: Formal action to be taken at the Regular Meeting.

Historic Preservation Board

Action: Deferred.

Insurance Advisory Board

Action: Deferred.

Marine Advisory Board

Commissioner Hutchinson stated that she wanted to appoint John Baker to the Marine Advisory Board.

Action: Formal action to be taken at the Regular Meeting.

Nuisance Abatement Advisory Board

Action: Deferred.

Unsafe Structures and Housing Appeals Board

Action: Deferred.

Utility Advisory Committee

Action: Deferred.

IV - City Commission Reports

American Dream Campaign - Housing

Commissioner Moore provided material regarding the American Dream Campaign on which hoped the Commission would take a position as early as the next scheduled meeting. This information has come from the President of the National League of Cities, and he has requested that the Commission participate in this campaign, which is to take place on September 28, 2004. However, he did not think the Commission would be able to do this by that date. He further stated that the Commission is requested to support a resolution to make people aware of the commitment to the American Dream regarding home ownership. The program would be televised on September 28, 2004 from Washington, D.C., 10 a.m. to 11:45 a.m., including perspectives of the American Dream, along with financial security of a good job, educational development and job skills, affordable housing, and ownership of such housing. He explained that the dialogues with the audience are going to be a national participatory process. They are asking that any municipality that agrees with this national agenda of the President, that they support the program with the resolution provided, and that the cities focus on a community roundtable discussion regarding this issue.

Commissioner Moore asked if the Citizens Volunteer Corp could look at this as a possible topic on how to plant a seed to make housing affordable in this City. He hoped they could come to some sort of local discussions.

Commissioner Hutchinson suggested that the Council of Civic Associations participate. Commissioner Moore agreed. Mayor Naugle suggested that the Association of Realtors could also participate. Commissioner Moore believed the entire community should be involved and the idea of the Council to coordinate this discussion is a great idea.

Elizabeth Hayes, Council of Civic Associations, stated that they would look into this matter.

Commissioner Moore stated that additional information regarding the campaign could be obtained off the web site at www.NLC.org. and information to facilitate such a round table discussion would be provided. He hoped that the Commission would agree to hold such discussions.

Mayor Naugle stated that this is a wonderful idea in that it also goes along with the President's agenda.

Vice Mayor Trantalis suggested that a workshop devoted to this topic be held with the Commission and the community because they have discussed the issue, but it has never actually been defined. Definitions could be identified such as locations in the City, income and pricing levels. He announced that he is taking a lawyer's seminar next month regarding laws in other jurisdictions that have defined this issue.

Commissioner Moore stated that previously it was mentioned that someone is coming to the second meeting in October to make a presentation regarding affordable housing. He stated then all information could be put together and possibly a serious discussion held in November 2004, as to where the Commission could go with an ordinance. He believed the City would receive support from the private sector with such a study. He explained that this has been eliminated from the budget, but the Downtown Development Authority has offered \$75,000, and he has met with an attorney from a developer's interest who stated that they are willing to contribute \$125,000 towards such a study. He hoped the Commission would be able to find a way to create such an ordinance. Commissioner Moore hoped they would be able to "tweak" some money to make up the difference for the cost of the study.

Hurricane Frances Recovery

Commissioner Moore wanted to make sure that the City Manager followed through with Congressman Clay Shaw's request regarding hurricane recovery information (letter dated September 13, 2004).

Citizens Volunteer Corp Project

Commissioner Hutchinson stated that the CVC project that was scheduled for this Saturday, but it is now rescheduled to October 23, 2004.

Historical Commission Grant/South Side School

Commissioner Hutchinson stated that Kathy Connors of Parks and Recreation is going to Tallahassee to champion a \$350,000 historical commission grant for South Side School.

EXECUTIVE CLOSED DOOR SESSION AT 2:22 P.M.

MEETING RECONVENED AT 3:13 P.M.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting is adjourned at 3:14 p.m.